

**5768. Adulteration of grapefruit. U. S. \* \* \* v. 300 Boxes of Grapefruit. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.** (F. & D. No. 8150. I. S. No. 12079-m. S. No. C-669.)

On March 5, 1917, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 300 boxes of grapefruit, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at New Orleans, La., alleging that the article had been shipped on February 22, 1917, by Alexander & Baird, Deland, Fla., and transported from the State of Florida into the State of Louisiana, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it was rotten and consisted of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid substance.

On March 22, 1917, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment for condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

**CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.***